

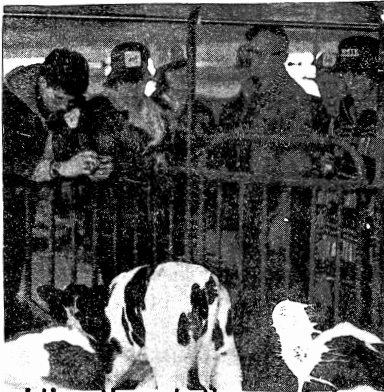
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OVER THE RIVER AND THROUGH THE WOODS...

The Dairy Club's recent trip to the New England states over Spring Break was a great success and was enjoyed by everyone who went. Entertainment during the long hours of riding was provided by Mary Ann Rozum and Nancy Suver who played everything from "The Stars and Stripes Forever" to "The Yellow Rose of Texas" on their kazoos. It's just a good thing that it wasn't the mating season for ducks or we would have had trouble.

We never actually got lost, however, if you ever try to drive to Buffalo, New York, believe me, you better have a good map and plenty of money for tolls if you get on the wrong route. You've also never experienced excitement until

riding through the mountains of New York in the ATI bus. It seemed as though we would reach speeds of 70 mph going downhill and be going about 5 mph at the top of the next. You could look out the window and see people walking faster than the bus was going. I have to admit that during the trip was the first time I had ever seen the price meter on a gas pump go clear around twice and start over. You ought to see the look on the gas station attendant's face after about 35 gallons has been put in the tank and it's still going in as fast as it was at the beginning. (cont. pg 3)

STUDENT SENATE SPEAKS: ACTIVITIES ACCOMPLISHED AND OTHERS PLANNED

One of the ATI student body's first steps in our fight for transfer credits to OSU was taken April 12th. A group of concerned students met with Associate Dean Riesch of the College of Agriculture. Many questions of importance to all of us were discussed. Though many of our questions were not answered, we proved our concern to Dean Riesch. I feel that he now really knows our efforts in this issue are sincere. We also showed great loyalty and genuine interest in the future of ATI education.

On April 28th a meeting with state representative John E. Johnson was held. The political actions which can be taken towards legislation on credit transfer in Ohio education were discussed.

The Alumni Association has planned a weekend of fun for all of ATI. This will also be the first annual alumni get together. The newly organized ATI Alumni Association is sponsoring its first alumni weekend May 17-18. On Sat. night the ATI Student Senate and the alumni are co-sponsoring a square dance to be held from 8-12pm at the Lamplighter Hall on Rebecca Street. Beer, pop and snacks will be available. The cost is \$1 before and \$1.50 at the door. Tickets can be obtained from senate members.

The real alumni activities begin on Sunday, and all graduating seniors are invited to attend as their introduction to the Alumni Association. There will be an Open House from 1-4pm with softball and other games outside. At 4pm a picnic style supper will be served outside (weather permitting). Cost will be \$4 per person which includes refreshments during the day, dinner and dessert. After dinner there will be the first official ATI Alumni Association meeting where the functioning of the organization will be discussed. Any graduating seniors who want to attend should make reservations with Mr. Zimmerman or Pat Frey by Friday, May 9.

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A TRIBUTE TO THE STUDENTS:

In the wake of a successful trip to the Northeast Regional judging contest, I feel obligated to state the reasons for this success. It may be misconstrued that since the Livestock teams have done well at this contest the past three years, some superior judging training is taking place in Livestock at ATI. This is not necessarily true. I feel that more likely it is because a higher caliber individual is coming to ATI than certain other schools. The students that I have traveled with on judging trips from Denver to Connecticut in competition with 4 year and 2 year schools, have demonstrated a reserve, conduct, and professionalism unequalled by any other school. This attitude I feel is inherent. You were good when you came here. I salute you.

-----Doc Borger-----

CONTROVERSY CORNER

It seems not many teachers took our hint in the last issue. Students are still making the mad rush to their next class with seconds to spare. Why? the clocks have been fixed. The reason: profs are holding students until a few minutes before the hour.

Another problem has also surfaced. Teachers often start their classes early if enough students are present. Some even start quizzes which are not allowed to be made up if you happen to come to class on time. Starting a class early if fine.....if every student is present. Until then, a teacher has no right to start early even as a student has no right to walk into a class late.

Yes, I can bear down on my fellow students, also. Nothing grinds me more than to see a student(s) walk into class late everyday. I'm sure the profs here at ATI feel the same way. It disrupts their class as well as their composure.

As a final note, Dale, our faithful janitor has asked me to remind you that it is a whole lot easier for him if you leave your dirt outside. This means all those crappy cowboy and work boots. After all, how much time does it take to change from boots to sneakers?

THE LAND

In Spring the sun unveiled
the sod
And silent winter snow gave
way
To sight and smell of rich,
warm soil
Where in promise of harvest
lay
Earthen brown yields to
seedling green,
Each growing plant lives
greedily
Taking the sunlight, warmth
and rain
Mother Earth gives so
easily
The seeds produce a thriving
stand
They wave and flutter in the
breeze
And conjure up within the
mind
The fantasies of golden seas
Seas which billow in autumn
wind
Swollen grain begs for har-
vest home
To take them while the time
is ripe
Before the howl of winter
snow
Each crib and bin filled to
the brim
Each full-tipped head a
smile from God
A blessing from the earth to
man
A promise kept by rich warm
sod.

-----Anne Charlton-----

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--- Ms. Phillips---



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The stop which impressed most of the people in Dairy Club was Cumberland Farm, in Mass. They were milking nearly 2000 Holstein cows in four double-5 herring bone parlors. The herd is averaging 13,500 lb. milk per cow per year and the milk is stored in two 7000 gallon bulk tanks. (These are larger than a semi-tank truck). All of the stops were quite worthwhile and they included some of the best herds in the United States.

Chedco Guernsey Farm was probably the second most impressive stop. This farm is a show place dairy and their cows are kept in a barn which is cleaner than most people's houses. The cows are kept in show ring condition the year 'round and make up one of the highest producing Guernsey herds in the country.

Many people agree with me in saying Walter Howard's Jersey Farm was also a very interesting stop. Mr. Howard has expanded from about 30 cows in 1970 to approximately 200 at the present time. They are milked in a rotary milking parlor which we got to see in operation. An interesting point brought out about Mr. Howard's family was that his father wrote the TV version of "Gone With the Wind".

One aspect of the trip I must tell you about was meal time. Probably the most memorable meal was the one at the Chinese restaurant. Just picture yourself quietly enjoying a Chinese meal when all at once the door of the restaurant is thrown open and 25 "hay seeds" from Ohio come walking in. Personally, I thought the food was pretty good, but there was one certain young lady whose name I won't mention on request who experienced some nauseating effects from her meal. The entire meal was then topped off when another young lady (research) asked for a "doggy bag" and to our surprise got one. That pretty well took care of her lunch for the next day.

Many people were interested in seeing the ocean for the first time and being able to pick shells up from the shore of Rhode Island.

Jim Hunter, first year Dairy, was very brave on the way home and decided to drive the ATI van through New York City. Reports from reliable sources say that he smoked three packs of cigarettes while inside the city limits.

I think I can safely say that everyone had a good time on the trip and it was very worthwhile as well as educational. The eastern section of the country is very beautiful and I recommend traveling there to anyone who has never seen it.

----Jeff Miller-----

The Ag Student Magazine is looking for a first year student who would be interested in writing about ATI for the magazine, beginning next fall. Anyone who is interested, please see Pat Frey, office 085A.

EQUINE NEWS:

The show and racing seasons have started in full force in this area and ATI's horses have done remarkably well.

Saturday, April 19, five saddle horses were shown by five students at the COSCA show at Burbank.

Petit Storm was shown in the Half Arab English Pleasure by Terry Weygandt and they received a 2nd place.

Sintez received a 2nd in Arab English Pleasure and 1st in Open English Pleasure.

He was shown by Meredith Bradley.

Major, shown by Rick Russel in Registered Quarter Horse Western Pleasure, received 2nd place.

Kitty received a 4th place in Non-registered Western Pleasure. She was shown by Denise Devere.

Bess was shown by Diane Sherry in Quarter Horse Bridle Path Hack (Hunt seat) and received a 3rd placing. They also showed in Open English Pleasure and placed second.

On March 23 at the National All Breed Show Terry Weygandt showed Petit Storm in Half Arab mares 5 years and older class and received 4th place.

On the weekend of April 5 & 6th Roger showed Nikki in the Paint Jr. Western Pleasure Class both days. The first day she received 7th and the second day she received 1st place.

----Sharon Strouse----

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FLORI NEWS

In talking with Mrs. Anderson, I found that plans are in the making again with the Floriculture curriculum. ATI has been invited to participate in the OARDC Research Showcase Open house which will take place Aug. 7- Aug. 12, 1975. OARDC is donating two 30 x 100 foot plots for use in annual gardens for this event. They are working with us by donating seeds and watering, fertilizing and eliminating garden pests throughout the gardens' growth stages. Our task was to plan a design and plant flowers accordingly. Mrs. Anderson chose a Victorian Style garden, which has been cut by students in the Turf and Floriculture curriculums. The next phase was to sow the seeds for our gardens; this is now done and they are safely harbored in the greenhouses at ATI.

The gardens will be planted by the 2nd year Floriculture students in early June, and 1st year students will be in charge of their care throughout the summer. Annuals are featured for their vibrant colors and height, as well as traditional and unusual characteristics.

Mrs. Anderson thinks there are many advantages to this project: "We will be working with annuals we don't normally have the opportunity to work with; We'll be working closely with OARDC, and of course ATI again will be able to say they're a team working together for a better community".

OTHER COMING EVENTS: Be looking for the completion of our conservatory. We hope to have it completed by June, with a display of mixed annual and perennial beds planted soon after.

The perennial garden donated to us by OARDC has been moved to a spot behind ATI by the careful hands of Floriculture students. Keep an eye out for that too.

-----Sue Choma-----

SOC CLASS ASKS FOR COOPERATION

The Society for a Clean Environment is a project of Mr. Zimmerman's Sociology class in an effort to achieve social improvements. Your cooperation is sought in making this project a successful demonstration of implementing good rather than merely complaining about the bad. Progress has already been made and your continued support will show that it can be done. Keep up the good work! (For extra kicks, guess the number of vocabulary terms in the following poem!)

CULTURAL REVERSION

As I'm playing in a role
With little status or little quo
Of a janitor-for-a-day,
It made me stop and holler-HEY!
I've developed a primary relationship with trash!

So I pondered, theorized,
Evaluated, hypothesized,
About the social productry
Of macrosociology---
And that, dear friends is my conflict with trash.

For it seems to be the norm,
No matter what the size or form,
For the stuff to decompose
(Poor formal structure, heaven knows)
Its identity with peers now becomes trash.

Neither healthy nor aesthetic,
Discarded things just look pathetic.
It's much better when you plan
To unibond it in the can
With its fellow social outcasts known as trash.

Not by coercion but conversion
Should we make cultural reversion.
So we ask you cordially-
From George and Dale and Soc 153
To reorganize your goals to clean up trash!
-----Mary Ann Rozum-----



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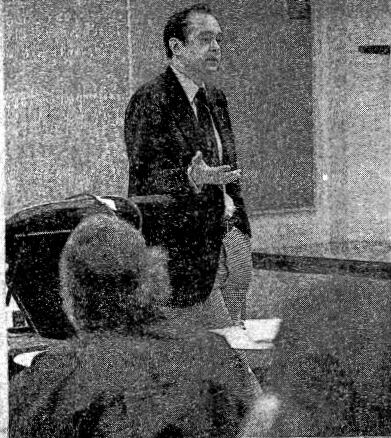
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The city of Wooster is having its All American Parade on Saturday May 17. This would be a good chance for us to make the people of Wooster aware that ATI is also "All American" and an important part of the Wooster community. Send your ideas to the S.S. mailbox or Mr. Zimmerman.

A representative from the Alumni Association has pledged her support and manpower in the making of the float for this parade.

The election of a student graduation speaker will be held May 5-6. Ballots for graduating seniors only will be available in the Student Services Offices. A run-off election will be held on May 12-13 if necessary. The following students have been nominated: Mike Kauffman; Jim Stein; Joanne Kick; Ron Schulte; Martha Maurer; Chuck Hagadorn. A statement from each will be printed at a later date and given to each graduating senior. ----Jim Smith-----

ARCHERY ANYONE?

Perhaps you have seen a few students walking around the halls with a lethal-looking bow and a quiver full of arrows hunting for targets. They are on their way from Mr. Vacarro's office to one of the poly-houses behind the school to practice archery. As the weather permits they will be shooting outside.

The Archery Club is part of the Sportsman's Club and meets 4-6pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays for instructions from Ed Stephens, a second year wood student.

A small fee is charged to rent the equipment which is also used to pay for the original cost and any repairs. For qualified students the equipment is available for use in the day between classes.

If you want to learn the sport of archery and/or want to get into some competition, contact Mr. Vacarro or Ed Stephens.

-----Becky Stanley----

TWO NEW TECHNOLOGIES TO BE ADDED IN FALL

ATI has received final approval for two new curriculums: Beekeeping Technology and Soil and Water Management. These two technologies are scheduled to begin Autumn quarter, 1975.

The Beekeeping program will deal with bee and honey production, the pollination of agricultural crops, and the marketing of associated products. Employment opportunities are available in state and federal agencies concerned with bee inspection and/or research. Where insect pollination is necessary in various fruit and vegetable industries, there are opportunities as field foreman and honey plant managers.

The Soil and Water Management Technology will encompass land preparation for agricultural use, land use planning, soil and water conservation methods, soil drainage, irrigation, and erosion control systems. Employment opportunities exist with various government agencies involved in soil and water conservation, and with land improvement contractors and equipment manufacturers.

With the additions of these two new curriculums, ATI continues to meet the needs of agriculture by promoting education in useful, relevant technologies.

-----Sue Choma-----

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ATI BRINGS HOME "WINNERS" IN JUDGING CONTESTS

"6:30 in the morning!?" the students moaned. "Yes," the teachers smiled, for they knew the trail was long and the way was monotonous. So, at 7:00am Thurs. morning on April 17th the 15 students comprising the Dairy, Livestock and two Horse judging teams sleepily climbed onto the bus. The two drivers (who are rumored to be ex-New York City cabbies) were also the illustrious coaches: Mr. Oelker and Dr. Borger. Their destination was Canton, New York, the site of the NEAT Judging Contest of 1975 for two-year technical colleges. The topics of judging were: dairy animals, general livestock (beef, sheep and swine), horses, meats and farm equipment (handling and maintenance). It was truly a long drive but thanks to a battery run radio, a deck of cards and naps, the journey was completed in a mere 10 hours with the sanity of all intact.

After a decent night's rest the ATI judging teams boarded the bus in anticipation of the day's events. That evening an 'awards' banquet was held to give away all five trophies and almost 10 ribbons (although there were about 15). ATI got its portion of recognition as Rich Thomas was awarded first place in Performance Judging. The Horse team placed 4th overall. The Livestock team strove valiently to defend the 2nd year title and retire the rotating trophy, but for reasons not mentioned here they didn't attain their goal. In individual scores though, Sam Sigler placed third highest in hog judging and 7th overall individual, while Anne Charlton placed second highest in the beef department and then went on to win the Livestock division by taking the top individual award. It is to be noted that last year Alan Laucher achieved this same honor at the NEAT contest and the year before that Tom Wright was top individual of the NEAT contest. Yea ATI!!!

There were a large number of uncouth and tactless teams there, but the group from Wooster was neat, quiet and refined at all times. ATI may well be proud of her judges for they were an upstanding representative.

That evening after the banquet the students proclaimed it Celebration Night and most of the judging teams clambored onto the bus and headed into town for an evening of good, clean, college fun. Let's just leave it at that and suffice it to say that they returned later that same evening and made their way to their respective rooms with amazing coordination.

Jody Gifford placed 2nd in Halter class judging. Wendy Lautanen was 3rd place of the overall individuals in Horse judging. In Dairy competition Mike Bodey placed 3rd highest in Jersey judging and 4th highest in individual. The Dairy team came in 5th overall.

At NACTA the Soil judging team came in second with Fred Miller high individual. NACTA was held April 26 in Illinois. Livestock finished strong overall but had no individuals in the top ten. -----Anne Charlton-----

Team members included: pg.6

Dairy

Mike Bodey
John Deeds
Scott Miller
Jeff Smetzer

Livestock

Anne Charlton
Dave Clouser
Sam Sigler

Horse

Jody Gifford
Wendy Lautanen
Nan Pollack
Rich Thomas
Randy Burrows
Cheryl Hickey
Ann Klienbecker
Coach: Sue Little

BEST TEACHER AWARD:

Newspaper is sponsoring a Tech Head and Supplementary Teacher of the Year Award. Petitions will be handed out to graduating seniors to be filled out by May 19.

We feel that teachers should be recognized for their time and effort in doing extra activities for the students at ATI.

This will be an annual event. We hope to have a rotating plaque and a memento for each teacher.

----Rebecca-----



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